

Audience, Panel Debate CIA Ethics

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Less than a hundred faculty, students, and administrators debated last night in Sayles Hall with a panel of professors and students considering the activities of the CIA and their relation to the academic community.

Because of the "intimate" nature of the discussion, panel members including Lyman B. Kirkpatrick Jr., professor of political science, Michael I. Rosen, assistant professor of mathematics, Mark Augenblick '68, president of the Cammarian Club, and Arnold Strasser, graduate student in history, presented preliminary talks on the CIA and then opened the rest of the evening to debate from the floor.

Mr. Augenblick in his opening remarks said, "I personally find the actions of the CIA revolting, but I think we should make an attempt to take the emotion out of the issue."

Arnold Strasser, who participated in the sit-in against the CIA recruiter, said, "President Heffner is not willing to bring about change on a university level in respect to the CIA. In fact, the decision to allow CIA recruiters to come on campus has already been made despite serious discussions from students and faculty."

He said that the university community should have the right to examine the activities of the CIA. "We should stop this recruiting for a while and look at it," he said.

Commenting on President Heffner's statement at Freshman Convocation yesterday, Mr. Strasser said, "President

Heffner obviously doesn't believe that students should have a voice in deciding what affects them. We're adult human beings and our word should be taken seriously along with the faculty's."

Mr. Kirkpatrick said in defense of the CIA that its activities are completely reviewed by congressional committees and that the information agency is not an independent branch, but responsible to the President.

Mr. Rosen stressed that any person and any agency is and must be responsible for its actions. He said, "I am convinced that the CIA destroys the trust of academic endeavor. And if the CIA cannot defend itself in public, the University should stay as far away as possible."